AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION (37 CFR §1.121(b))

Please insert the following paragraph at line 2 of page 1 of the specification.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Please insert the following paragraph at line 8 of page 1 of the specification.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please insert the following paragraph at line 19 of page 2 of the specification.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please insert the following paragraph at line 21 of page 7 of the specification.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Please insert the following paragraph at line 28 of page 7 of the specification.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED VERSIONS OF THE INVENTION

Please insert the following Abstract following the claims (such Abstract also being provided on a separate sheet accompanying this Preliminary Amendment, as per 37 CFR §1.72(b)):

A stent graft is provided which has two stent sections having different functions on, for example, a tubular graft. One stent section preferably comprises a plurality of circumferential reinforcing hoops and the other a Z-stent. The two sections are preferably separated by a spacer section and the tubular graft preferably increases in diameter from the Z-stent section to the hooped section. This enables the stent graft to be compressed radially so that it can be inserted in a catheter for later delivery to a body lumen.